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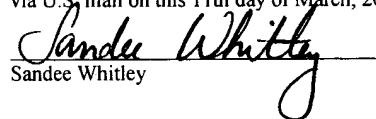
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Madam:

In response to the Office Action of November 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 11 of this paper.

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